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Joe Building Home.
J. Berger got him a permit to build a home here the past wk.,—he figuring when his baseball days are over locating with us permanently, and he will be right welcome. Joe is a member of Mr. Comiskey's Chicago team, and he has been making his way in the profession at a right smart rate, for which he is to be congratulated, so many of the boys who go from the smaller places to the large cities to play ball throwing a shoe before they get fairly started. Joe so far has kept both boots on tight, and his admirers are glad he is doing so well, financially and otherwise.

Bob Cloudas Looking Fine.
Bob Cloudas, the pop. typ. who has been having a tough time of it for sev. mos., was seen on our streets the other day, he showing great improvement, and feeling fine, all of which he looked displaying an air of cheerfulness that ought to pull through one worse off than he. Bob, the doc. says, will be all hunky dory pretty soon, and it will certainly seem natural to see him regularly at his work, he being one of the best linotype operators in the village.

Old Cy Allen Climbing.
Old Cy Allen was in these parts this wk., he having a new business card this trip. He is now peddling varnish, leaving the Chicago paint firm for which he traveled many years, to accept a more luc. job. Cy is among the humdummers in his bus., he being so valuable that he only visits the bigger places, the ranks being put on the routes of the less experienced members of the staff. Cy has many friends hereabout who will pass him the palm on his merited promotion.

A Pop. Married Man.
Bill Kahlike regaled us with a first-class cigar on his return from his wed. trip, he having taken his bride to the sights of Chi. and for a ride on its contiguous w. k. body of water, Lk. Mich. Bill reports the weather as having been all right. He says he didn't have time to investigate the report that visitors, with the price, were privileged to see the Masonic temple turn around between 5 and 6 in the p. m. s. Anyway, Bill says he don't believe it can be did. Neither do we. Bill will be a creditable acquisition to our married men's contingent, and he will be royally welcomed, because he is an o. k. chap all around.

Taking the Census.
Prof. Philbrook, our w. k. singing teacher, is hustling around these days taking the school census and incidentally reducing a few pounds of excessive weight. The Prof. says the job is not without its little irritations, one of which is to convince the housewives that he is not one of these here book agent fellers. After rinking a door bell for some thirty minutes the other p. m. he was rewarded by hearing a

soft voice from within saying: "I can't come to the door now because I'm taking a bath."

"Well," says Prof., "I ain't caring about that. All I want is to ask you a few questions."

The woman finally came to the door and without opening it answered the questions which were put to her.

"I guess that's going some," said the Prof. as he waddled down the steps.

"I should say it is," the housewife shouted.

All the Boys Get Back.
All our Woodmen boys are home from the hd. camp at Toledo, where they had a warm time. The d. of p. again floats over the society headquarters, and everybody is back on the job as if nothing serious had been happening. Doc Jones reports it the biggest convention in the history of the order, he attending as a member of the sup. med. bd. He said things went along as smoothly as could be expected, but there was always danger of some one throwing a monkey wrench into the mechanism.

Fine Turn Out for Mac.
Jim McNamara, who is now head ck. of the largest frat. ins. order in the world, he having gotten to the front at great speed, was given a royal reception by our folks on his return from Toledo last Tuesday, a band meeting his train and leading a big procession to the office where in future he is to be supreme. Congrats., and many of 'em, Jim, for you deserved just what you got.

Look for Fine Time.
(Antigo, Wis., Journal).
During the Eagles' convention, June 23 to 25, the city will have stationed at the police headquarters an automobile with two extra policemen during the day and evening, and anyone desiring the assistance of a policeman at any time can receive prompt attention by calling phone No. 212.—W.M. COBLENTZ, Chief of Police.

Edison Still a Wonder.
(Albino, Ill., Democrat).
Mr. Will Shaw varied the entertainment with some delightful musical numbers, both vocal and instrumental, by noted composers and artists who faithfully reproduced themselves in Edison's Phonograph—one of the many wonders of our wonderful age, wherewith the "common people" no longer remain "common" because the

most costly instrument of the millionaires in palaces of art are brought to the humblest homes of those whom nature endowed with appreciative gifts, which money cannot buy, nor the lack of it suppress, and thus the rural town enterprising music store becomes a most prominent factor in the education and elevation of the public taste and interpretation of the classic in music.

A Scene of Beauty.
(Sullivan, Ill., Herald).
The contracting parties stood in front of the grate, which was banked with flowers. The light fixtures over their heads were draped with climax.

All About Hiawatha.
(Peoria Star).
When the little Hiawatha capered over the award in her girlish and aboriginal glee in the land of the Dakotas some 200 or 300 years ago, as the lamented Henry Wadsworth Longfellow has depicted it, she little thought that she would become a prominent figure in the public school life of a later day, when civilization should come to take the place of barbarism.

The next day:
It is a fact that Hiawatha was not a girl. He went over to the other sex and became a male man of the masculine persuasion, and still lives as such in history. The circumstances that The Star yesterday made him a woman comes from the beauty of the poet's song, and when the poet sings The Star recognizes no sex, but is lost in his song.

On Uncle Webb.
(Wheaton, Illinois News).
Mr. and Mrs. B. Fred Taylor are spending their annual vacation of two weeks on their uncle, Webb Taylor's farm, near Kentland, Ind.

Probably Closes Incident.
(Grand Junction News).
I deny emphatically that any such admission as that Mr. Trevilyn Doucet can play better violin than I has been made by me. While I dislike to argue about music I wish to make one statement that is: That I can beat all the fiddlers around here playing with one finger on any kind of a violin. Will render proof of this by appearing in contest with any of them before competent judges. Now come on and shut up. PROF. SCHAEFER.

Keeping Cool.
Dick Bimston, one of our rising young journalists, this wk. came out with one of those hair cuts like mother used to execute during the heated term. We are looking for many others to follow Dick's example.

More Trouble for Ye Ed.
Ye ed is fixing to take to the storm cellar as the season of the Twin-City Newspaper league ball season nears a close, he having been honored (?) with the presidency of that organization. While no pop bottles have been thrown and it has not been found necessary to call the police to settle any of the disputes, there have been numerous vocal clashes over technical points of the game, and all these have been referred to the pres. for a ruling. As it happens, he is not up on the book rules, and it's too all fired hot to study them, and he's got a fight on his hands, so he is up in the air, and is thinking of appealing to either Ben Johnson or Al Tennyson to come to his rescue. If he lives another wk., he desires to state, he will not permit himself to be roped into another such mess. We are now in position to sympathize with M. Sexton, Brother Tennyson and others who have held the job of league president, but the latter, at least, did draw salaries, while ye ed must stand the gaff without pay.

THE MOVIES

"The Spoilers" has established a record for consecutive performances in Chicago. It is now in its tenth week at the Studebaker, with no sign of diminishing attendance. "Les Miserables" established a record of seven weeks at Orchestra hall last summer, and "Quo Vadis" ran eight weeks at McVicker's. "The Spoilers" will remain at the Studebaker theatre until the coming of the Burton Holmes series July 6.

The Famous Players Film company, through Adolph Zukor, its president, has engaged Pauline Frederick, one of the most prominent stars of the American stage, who will be presented in a feature film production of Hall Caine's master-work, "The Eternal City."

Lillian Gish, the beautiful blond leading woman of the Majestic company, believes in using every spare moment to the best possible advantage. She is an omnivorous reader and a keen student of literature. Shakespeare and Tennyson are her favorite poets. Every morning when she leaves her home she carries a book or two under her arm. And while she awaits calls in her dressing room or between scenes behind the stage she is generally absorbed in reading. Miss Gish cares little for popular novels. She does not read for entertainment merely, but in order to study and think.

Miss Ruth Donnelly now occupies the place of second lead woman in Director Frank Crane's company of Imp players. Miss Donnelly is a recruit from the legitimate stage, and while her career and experience was somewhat short-lived, compared to some, the experience and training was thorough and proficient. She is a protégé of Rose Stahl, having traveled

on the road with Miss Stahl, playing important parts in "Maggie Pepper."

Contract has been closed with Darcy & Wolford for the world's motion picture rights to the western drama, "Northern Lights," written by James W. Harkins Jr., and Edwin Barbour. The play is the only psychological western drama ever written. The story embraces the delineation of four characters that embrace a deep and absorbing psychological study. The rights were purchased by the Life Photo Film corporation in bidding competition of several other concerns. The production will be under the direction of Lawrence McMill and the male leads will be taken by David Wall, Harry Spingler and William H. Tooker.

Edgar Selwyn was among the American theatrical personages in Paris last week. With his wife, Margaret Mayo, he was at the Crillon for a few days before beginning a long motor tour of Italy, the Tyrol and the Black Forest.

Mr. Selwyn saw a number of literary men in London. He said that Joseph Conrad was planning to take next October his first trip to America since he visited it as a sailor before the war.

Mrs. Fiske and her cousin, Miss Emily Stevens, are making a leisurely journey along the New England coast and will go as far as Cape Breton, in Nova Scotia, where they will spend the greater part of their holiday. Mrs. Fiske will return to New York about the middle of August to begin rehearsals of the new comedy by John Luther Long, which is to be her autumn production.

Fifteen British cavalry veterans were signed last week for a six months' term of theatrical service by Walter Howard, a London producer, for the battle scene of the coming Comstock-Great production, "The Story of the Rosary," a spectacular romance soon to be shown in this country next season.

David Warfield is so thoroughly enjoying his summer of rest after a long hard season that he says he has arranged for the future not to play more than 25 weeks a year. The tradition of Joseph Jefferson's luxurious scheme of life is thus revived.

Miss Blanche Ring, accompanied by her sister, Frances Ring, has sailed

IRISH MAID IS A PHOTOPLAY STAR



Irene Boyle.

"One hundred and ten pounds of energy and enthusiasm," is the way a newspaper man recently described Irene Boyle, who plays leads for one of the big film companies. Continuing, he spoke of her as:

"A superbly proportioned little lady who barely reaches the five-foot mark. A strikingly attractive face with a deliciously tilted nose that is as Irish as the big, blue eyes above it. The eyes are deserving of special mention. They have the trick of gazing steadily at the speaker, conveying the impression of fearlessness. The whole topped by a glorious mass of jet black hair."

Those photoplay patrons who have seen Miss Boyle in the various productions in which she has appeared will have no difficulty whatsoever in recognizing their favorite by the above description. In the two years she has been playing leads Miss Boyle has become one of the most popular actresses in the silent drama.

When one comes in contact with her, the reason for her remarkable success in the motion picture field is instantly apparent. Forceful, direct, yet withal, wholly feminine and lovable, Miss Boyle registers the impression of her ability to make good despite all obstacles.

Her first appearance as a motion picture actress was due to pure chance. Miss Boyle, who at that time was a stenographer, chanced to accompany a moving picture actress to New Jersey, where a photoplay was to be produced. An accident made it impossible for Miss Boyle's chum to proceed with her part. An impulse caused Miss Boyle to volunteer her services. She was given a chance and when the contemplated production was observed, was promptly engaged on a permanent basis.

Aviation Recognized at Last By U. S. Army



U. S. Army aeroplane over harbor of Vera Cruz; Col. Samuel Reber (right) and Brig.-Gen. George P. Scriven.



Washington, June 27.—The long fight to make the U. S. aviation corps, now under the direction of Colonel Samuel Reber, as strong and efficient and well equipped as the like organizations of other powers seems to be won. The Hay bill, which gives the army signal corps, commanded by Brigadier General George P. Scriven, an opportunity to go ahead with the work which has been planned in the past, has already passed the house of representatives and has been favorably reported to the senate by the committee on military affairs. The bill is backed by a \$250,000 appropriation, which was made last month.

The United States has nothing in the line of fighting apparatus for use in the air, with the exception of aeroplanes; not a single dirigible balloon or other airship which might be used for offensive work. Its fleet of aeroplanes, which is divided into four sections, is located at Galveston, Texas; San Diego, Cal., and in the Hawaiian and Philippine islands, and is used solely for scouting. This, however, is only the beginning and, as Colonel Reber expresses it, is like a baby taking its first exercise. "We must start by perfecting our scouting system, as a child first learns to crawl," he says. "After that, he may take up

walking, and before long will be fully prepared for running. In this case running means that we will have a full fleet of offensive airships."

The aeroplane work during the present trouble with Mexico at Vera Cruz has been handled entirely by the hydro-aeroplane force of the navy and has been essentially successful. The army force of aeroplanes, with the exception of those needed in Hawaii and the Philippines, has been kept on the border between Texas and Mexico, though mobilized and in such shape that on 20 minutes' notice they might be sent to any point at which their services would be needed.

Under the Hay bill the aviation section will consist of not over 60 commissioned line officers, with rank below that of captain, as well as 260 enlisted men. These shall be detailed for periods of four years. The officers, who will first go through a preparatory course as aviation students, will be selected on the recommendation of the chief signal officer from among the unmarried lieutenants of the army who are not over 30 years of age, but they shall not be assigned to such service against their will.

It is further provided, on account of the extremely hazardous character of the service, that each aviation student, when he shall commence to make flights, shall receive increased pay, and there is increased pay for enlisted men, too.

After the passage of the Hay bill only officers and men who have passed an examination before a board composed of three officers of experience in aviation and two medical officers may be admitted to the aviation corps. At the present time the qualification

for positions as military aviators are severe, as the applicant must not only be able to handle an aeroplane under any and all conditions, but must also have shown himself as especially efficient as a military observer.

Knowledge of the making and reading of military maps, steering by the compass, making repairs to his aeroplane and the general construction and thorough handling of gasoline motors is also required, as well as a special fund of information in regard to meteorology and topography, in relation to aviation. In short, every aviator is required to be an expert aviator and aviator mechanic and also to be able to watch from his machine and be able upon his return from any flight to draw maps of the country over which he has traveled in such a way as to set forth its availability and difficulties in military operations.

Only biplanes are used in the United States army and the machines of the "tractor" type, that is, with the engine in front of the planes, are used exclusively. The machines now in use are able to make single flights of 240 miles, and carry enough oil and gasoline for a flight of four hours. They carry the pilot and an observer as well as their instruments.

The medical examination is extremely severe. The condition of the heart when subjected to unusual altitudes is examined, and the severest tests of vision and hearing as well as sense of balance are imposed by the army medical officers who examine them. Even after they have succeeded in passing all these tests the actual work is liable to develop nervousness which renders disqualification necessary before the student stage is passed.

ZIMMERMAN'S LOVE LETTERS ARDENT ENOUGH TO MELT FIRST NAME, SAYS ICY



Miss Icy Wareham.

New York, June 27.—Miss Icy Wareham, dog breeder, who has sued Eugene Zimmerman, multi-millionaire of Cincinnati and father-in-law of the Duke of Manchester, for \$100,000, charging he failed to keep his promise to marry her, says she has some letters from Zimmerman which are so ardent that they almost melted her first name off.

"I see that the Duke of Manchester is talking about having received letters urging him to forestall a sensational court action by the payment of a substantial sum," said Miss Wareham, who is 49 but doesn't look it. "While he does not intimate that I had anything to do with the writing of these letters, I want the public to know I did not write them. Should I identify the author of them I shall prosecute him or her to the fullest extent."

"I don't need to resort to crooked

work," continued Miss Wareham. "The case stands on its merits, and when it comes to trial I'll push it to the limit."

"There won't be anything except truth offered in evidence. Every little detail of my affair with Eugene Zimmerman will come out at the trial."

"Have you any letters written you by Mr. Zimmerman that will be put in evidence?" was asked.

"I have many letters from Mr. Zimmerman. They are of the most endearing sort and prove all my claims. These letters I have turned over to my attorney, Philip C. Samuels. They will be made public at the trial."

"Where did I meet Eugene Zimmerman? Oh, I met him in New York some years ago. We were introduced by mutual friends."

YOU CAN'T ESCAPE THE TANGO; NOW IT HAS INVADDED THE BATHING BEACHES



Tangling on the beach.

Brighton Beach, N. Y., June 27.—This seaside resort bids fair to become the most popular place for the followers of the tango on the Atlantic coast. As the photograph shows, the dancers who are enjoying the tango on the sand here are untrammelled

by the unconventional costume of the ball room, a simple bathing costume being sufficient raiment in the outdoor ball-room where the murmur of the sea waves furnishes a fitting accompaniment to the one step, tango and hesitation.